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TRIGGERING OF NITRIC OXIDE )  
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED JULY 9, 2009**

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated July 9, 2009 for which a three (3) month period of response was given. A Petition and fee for a three (3) month extension of time accompany this paper. Since January 9, 2010 was a Saturday and January 10, 2010 a Sunday, this paper and any accompanying papers are timely filed on Monday, January 11, 2010. The Applicant, by and through his attorney, responds as follows.

**Amendments to the Specification** are presented in the Amendments to the Specification beginning on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are presented in the **Listing of the Claims** beginning on page 6 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.